City of Palo Alto City Council Staff Report

(ID # 9976)

Report Type: Special Orders of the Day Meeting Date: 1/7/2019

Summary Title: Adoption of a Resolution for CM Cory Wolbach

Title: Resolution of the Council of the City of Palo Alto Expressing Appreciation for Outstanding Public Service to Cory Wolbach as Council

Member

From: City Manager

Lead Department: City Clerk

Attachments:

 Attachment A: Resolution Expressing Appreciation for Outstanding Public Service to Cory Wolbach as Council Member

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EXPRESSING APPRECIATION FOR OUTSTANDING PUBLIC SERVICE TO CORY WOLBACH AS COUNCIL MEMBER

WHEREAS, Cory Wolbach was raised in Palo Alto, attending Ohlone, JLS, and Gunn, and served as a Palo Alto City Council Member from January 2015 through December 2018; and

WHEREAS, Cory was a consistent and articulate leader on issues of sustainable transportation, housing, climate change, and good government; and

WHEREAS, during his time on the City Council, Cory chaired the Policy and Services Committee in 2017, and chaired the Rail Committee in 2018, and was a liaison to organizations such as the Friends of the Junior Museum and Zoo, Neighbors Abroad, the Palo Alto Housing Corporation, and the Palo Alto Transportation Management Association; and

WHEREAS, Cory led the effort to pass Palo Alto's first minimum wage law, and authored the colleague's memo to protect personal data and establishing operating procedures for surveillance technologies; and

WHEREAS, Cory worked diligently with community members and advocates to update regulations about Accessory Dwelling Units, enabling more multi-generational households, and Cory was instrumental in directing significant updates to Palo Alto's residential zoning and renter protections; and

WHEREAS, in 2016, Cory was a co-author of the memo declaring Palo Alto to be a diverse, supportive, inclusive and protective community, which was re-affirmed in 2018 when the City Council voted to become a CEDAW (Commission on the Elimination of all forms of Discrimination against Women) City.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Palo Alto hereby commends the outstanding public service of Cory Wolbach, gratefully records both its appreciation, and the appreciation of the citizens and businesses of this community, for his meritorious service and commitment as a Palo Alto Council Member.

INTRODUCED AND PASSED: January 7, 2019

ATTEST:	APPROVED:
City Clerk	Mayor
APPROVED AS TO FORM:	
City Manager	City Attorney